

# News Bulletin

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## U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to Hold Endangered Species Open House Meetings on Saipan and Guam

*“Learn about the Endangered Species Act listing and critical habitat designation process”*

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) is holding Open House meetings on Saipan and Guam. The information meetings will provide an opportunity for interested parties to learn about the process for proposing new threatened or endangered species under the U.S. Endangered Species Act and proposing critical habitat.

The Service is considering whether certain species in Guam and the CNMI warrant protection under the Endangered Species Act through listing and critical habitat.

The Saipan Open House will be held at the American Memorial Park Visitor Center in Garapan on Wednesday, May 14 from 6-8 pm.

The Guam Open House will be held at the University of Guam, School of Business and Public Administration, Anthony Leon Guerrero Room #129, Mangilao, Guam on Friday, May 16 from 6-8 pm.

Twenty-three species located in Guam and the CNMI are under consideration for listing as either endangered or threatened under the Endangered Species Act. Species under consideration include seven candidate species (1 bat, 4 tree snails and 2 butterflies); we are also considering listing and additional 14 plant species and two animals. The Service is concurrently considering designating critical habitat for these species (if listed) and revising critical habitat for currently listed species on Guam and the CNMI. The species under consideration are:

Plants Being Considered for Listing as Endangered or Threatened (14)		
Scientific Name	Common Name	Location
<i>Bulbophyllum guamense</i>	wild onion or Cebello Halumtano	Guam and CNMI
<i>Cycas micronesica</i>	Fadang	Guam and CNMI
<i>Dendrobium guamense</i>	No Common Name (NCN)	Guam and CNMI
<i>Eugenia bryanii</i>	NCN	Guam
<i>Hedyotis megalantha</i>	Paudedo	Guam
<i>Heritiera longipetiolata</i>	Ufa-Halomtano	Guam and CNMI
<i>Maesa walkeri</i>	NCN	Guam and CNMI
<i>Nervilia jacksoniae</i>	NCN	Guam and CNMI
<i>Phyllanthus saffordii</i>	NCN	Guam
<i>Psychotria malaspinae</i>	Aplokhatang-palaoan	Guam
<i>Solanum guamense</i>	Berenghenas Halomtano	Guam and CNMI

<i>Tabernaemontana rotensis</i>	NCN	Guam and CNMI
<i>Tinospora homosepala</i>	NCN	Guam
<i>Tuberolabium guamense</i>	NCN	Guam and CNMI
<b>Animals Being Considered for Listing as Endangered or Threatened (9)</b>		
<b><i>Scientific Name</i></b>	<b><i>Common Name</i></b>	<b><i>Location</i></b>
<i>Emballonura semicaudata rotensis</i>	Pacific sheath-tailed bat	CNMI
<i>Emoia slevini</i>	Slevin's skink	Guam and CNMI
<i>Hypolimnys octocula mariannensis</i>	Mariana Eight Spot Butterfly	Guam and CNMI
<i>Ischnura luta</i>	Rota damselfly	CNMI
<i>Partula gibba</i>	Humped Tree Snail	Guam and CNMI
<i>Partula langfordi</i>	Langford's Tree Snail	CNMI
<i>Partula radiolata</i>	Guam Tree Snail	Guam
<i>Samoana fragilis</i>	Fragile Tree Snail	Guam and CNMI
<i>Vagrans indica</i>	Wandering Butterfly	Guam and CNMI

“The Service greatly values public input and we hope that people will come to these meetings, share their knowledge, learn, or suggest ways to protect some of the rarest plants and animals in the Mariana Islands,” said Loyal Mehrhoff, the Service’s field supervisor for the Pacific Islands Fish and Wildlife Office.

America’s fish, wildlife and plant resources belong to all of us, and ensuring the health of imperiled species is a shared responsibility. To learn more about the Pacific island’s Endangered Species program, go to <http://www.fws.gov/pacificislands/>.

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